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THIS WEEK NO. 7

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ANNCR:

"THIS WEEK!"

FROM THE VOICE OF AMERICA, THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK GONE BY: A LOOK AT SOME OF THE EVENTS, A CROSS-SECTION OF THE IDEAS AND THE VOICES OF SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO MADE NEWS DURING THE PAST SEVEN DAYS. YOUR NARRATOR IS _____.

NARR:

ON THE BATTLEFIELD AND IN DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES, THE PRO-WESTERN FACTIONS FIGHTING IN ANGOLA THIS WEEK SUFFERED SERIOUS SETBACKS. THE SOVIET-BACKED POPULAR MOVEMENT FORCES -- SPEARHEADED BY THOUSANDS OF CUBAN TROOPS -- PRESSED A SUCCESSFUL DRIVE SOUTHWARD, CAPTURING HUAMBO, THE CITY THAT HAD BEEN SERVING AS THE HEADQUARTERS FOR UNITA AND THE NATIONAL FRONT. THE TWO PRO-WESTERN FACTIONS LOST SILVO PORTO AND OTHER KEY CITIES AS WELL. BY WEEK'S END, POPULAR MOVEMENT FORCES REPORTEDLY HAD ADVANCED TO WITHIN TWO HUNDRED KILOMETERS OF A DEFENSE LINE MAINTAINED BY SOUTH AFRICA ALONG ANGOLA'S SOUTHERN BORDER WITH NAMIBIA.

THE POPULAR MOVEMENT ALSO SCORED ANOTHER VICTORY THIS WEEK -- THIS ONE IN THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY. THE O-A-U ADMITTED THE PRO-SOVIET FACTION AS A FULL ORGANIZATION MEMBER AND RECOGNIZED IT AS THE SOLE GOVERNMENT IN WAR-TORN ANGOLA.

HERE IN WASHINGTON, SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER TOLD A THURSDAY NEWS CONFERENCE THAT THE VICTORIES IN ANGOLA ARE NOT THOSE OF THE POPULAR MOVEMENT BUT CUBAN

VICTORIES BACKED UP BY SOVIET ARMS. HOWEVER, MISTER KISSINGER SAID WASHINGTON DOES NOT OBJECT TO THE POPULAR MOVEMENT IN ANGOLA AS RECOGNIZED BY THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY:

TAPE: CUT ONE -- KISSINGER

"ITS OBJECTION WAS NOT THE MPLA (POPULAR MOVEMENT) AS AN ORGANIZATION, NOR TO ITS POLITICAL VIEWS, AS SUCH. OUR OBJECTION HAS BEEN TO THE IMPOSITION OF A MINORITY GOVERNMENT BY WHAT IS NOW TWELVE THOUSAND CUBAN TROOPS AND NEARLY THREE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF SOVIET EQUIPMENT. THOSE FACTS WILL NOT BE CHANGED BY THE MILITARY VICTORY THAT WILL INEVITABLY RESULT WHEN ONE SIDE IS DEPRIVED OF RESTRAINT AND THE OTHER SIDE IS GIVEN NO OPPORTUNITY TO RESIST. WHAT THE UNITED STATES WILL DO WHEN A DE FACTO SITUATION EXISTS, WE WILL DECIDE UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES."

NARR:

SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER ALSO SAID THERE IS NOW GRAVE CONCERN IN ZAIRE AND ZAMBIA THAT THE ANGOLAN INTERVENTION COULD OVERFLOW INTO THOSE NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES.

(OPT) EARLIER IN THE WEEK, PRESIDENT FORD AGAIN EXPRESSED CRITICISM OF THE U-S CONGRESS FOR THE CUT-OFF OF AID TO PRO-WESTERN ANGOLAN FORCES. AFTER SIGNING A DEFENSE BILL THAT INCLUDED A CONGRESSIONAL BAN ON AID TO ANGOLA, MISTER FORD SAID:

TAPE: CUT TWO -- FORD

"WE CHALLENGED THE SOVIET UNION AND CUBA IN THEIR INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA AND IF THE CONGRESS HAD STOOD WITH US WE COULD HAVE PRESERVED THE OPPORTUNITY TO LET THE ANGOLANS SETTLE THEIR FUTURE AMONG THEMSELVES."

NARR:

MISTER FORD SAID HE ACCEPTED THE AID BAN ONLY BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANT DEFENSE PROGRAMS CONTAINED IN THE REST OF THE BILL. THE ACTION OF CONGRESS, THE PRESIDENT SAID, COULD SEVERELY LIMIT AMERICA'S ABILITY TO PLAY A ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS.

AND IN SOUTH AFRICA THIS WEEK, PRIME MINISTER JOHN VORSTER ACCUSED THE WEST OF SHIRKING ITS RESPONSIBILITY BY ALLOWING THE SOVIET AND CUBAN-BACKED FACTION TO OUT-GUN ITS TWO RIVAL FACTIONS.

THERE WAS TALK OF ATROCITY IN ANGOLA, AS WELL THIS WEEK. BRITISH PRIME MINISTER HAROLD WILSON TOLD PARLIAMENT IN LONDON THAT THERE IS LITTLE DOUBT THAT AS MANY AS A DOZEN BRITISH MERCENARIES HAD BEEN MURDERED BY THEIR COMRADES. SOME SAID THEY WERE ORDERED BY A MERCENARY OFFICER IN ANGOLA TO SHOOT A GROUP OF MEN WHO REFUSED TO FIGHT. (END OPT)

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ELSEWHERE IN AFRICA, ONLY SEVEN MONTHS AFTER HE SEIZED POWER IN NIGERIA, GENERAL MURTAZA MOHAMMED WAS HIMSELF OVERTHROWN IN A MILITARY COUP. RADIO NIGERIA REPORTED FRIDAY THAT MILITARY OFFICERS, DESCRIBING THEMSELVES AS YOUNG REVOLUTIONARIES, HAD OUSTED GENERAL MOHAMMED. THE RADIO SAID ALL GOVERNMENT MINISTERS HAD BEEN DISMISSED, THE NATION'S BORDERS WERE CLOSED, AND A CURFEW HAD BEEN PUT INTO EFFECT. THE RADIO URGED THE POPULATION TO STAY CALM.

GENERAL MOHAMMED OVERTHREW NIGERIAN LEADER GENERAL YAKUBU GOWAN LAST JULY IN A BLOODLESS COUP. GENERAL GOWAN IS NOW IN BRITAIN.

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THE PEOPLE OF GUATEMALA WERE STILL COUNTING THE TOLL FROM LAST WEEK'S SERIES OF EARTHQUAKES THAT DEVASTATED THE CENTRAL AMERICA NATION. IN A BROADCAST TO HIS PEOPLE WEDNESDAY, PRESIDENT KJELL EUGENIO LAUGERUD SAID MORE THAN ONE-FOURTH OF GUATEMALA'S EIGHT MILLION PEOPLE WERE AFFECTED BY THE

DISASTER. BY WEEK'S END, THE DEATH TOLL FROM THE QUAKES WAS INCHING TOWARD THE TWENTY-THOUSAND MARK WITH THOUSANDS MORE PERSONS REPORTED MISSING AND PRESUMED DEAD.

EMERGENCY RELIEF SUPPLIES FROM ABROAD CONTINUED TO POUR INTO GUATEMALA DURING THE WEEK, BUT EVERYONE AGREES THAT RECOVERY WILL NOT BE EASY. PRESIDENT FORD THIS WEEK DISPATCHED THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE U-S AGENCY FOR INTER-NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO THE STRICKEN NATION FOR AN ASSESSMENT OF GUATEMALA'S AID NEEDS. AND AT HIS THURSDAY NEWS CONFERENCE, SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER PROMISED A MAJOR AMERICAN ASSISTANCE EFFORT: (OPT)

TAPE: CUT THREE -- KISSINGER

"AMERICANS HAVE ALWAYS TRADITIONALLY RESPONDED GENEROUSLY, IN THOUGHT AND DEED, TO THE NEEDS OF THE SUFFERING. REFLECTING THAT HUMANITARIAN SPIRIT, OUR GOVERNMENT JOINED BY ITS CITIZENS AND CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS IS MOUNTING A MAJOR EFFORT TO ASSIST THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF GUATEMALA TO EASE THE SUFFERING CAUSED BY THE EARTHQUAKE." (END OPT)

NARR:

SECRETARY KISSINGER ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT HE IS ADDING GUATEMALA TO HIS TOUR OF LATIN AMERICA WHICH BEGINS ON MONDAY.

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THIS WAS A WEEK OF ANTICIPATION FOR THE PEOPLE OF LEBANON. AFTER TEN MONTHS OF VIOLENCE, LEBANON LOOKED HOPEFULLY TOWARD THE WEEKEND DISCLOSURE OF THE MUCH-PUBLICIZED SETTLEMENT REACHED BY THE NATION'S POLITICAL FACTIONS. THE SETTLEMENT INCLUDES REFORMS LONG-SOUGHT BY LEBANESE MOSLEMS. AS A MEASURE OF THE PUBLIC'S GROWING CONFIDENCE IN THE SECURITY SITUATION IN BEIRUT, THE CITY'S BANKS OPENED THURSDAY FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THREE MONTHS.

(OPT) THERE WAS HEAVY SECURITY, BUT THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS, AND NO RUSH TO WITHDRAW FUNDS. (END OPT)

PREMIER RASHID KARAMI TOLD REPORTERS AT MID-WEEK THAT THE REMAINING BARRIER TO A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT FELL WHEN CHRISTIAN LEADERS DROPPED THEIR DEMANDS FOR A WRITTEN GUARANTEE THAT THE DISTRIBUTION OF LEBANON'S TOP THREE LEADERSHIP POSTS WOULD REMAIN UNCHANGED. INSTEAD, ALL PARTIES AGREED THAT THE TRADITIONAL UNWRITTEN ARRANGEMENTS WILL CONTINUE.

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THE FIVE-WEEK OLD QUESTION OF WHO WOULD FORM ITALY'S THIRTY-EIGHTH GOVERNMENT IN THIRTY-TWO YEARS ENDED THURSDAY, WITH THE SWEARING-IN OF A ONE-PARTY MINORITY ADMINISTRATION. THE CABINET -- HEADED BY CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PREMIER ALDO MORO -- IS VIRTUALLY UNCHANGED FROM THE PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION WHICH COLLAPSED JANUARY SEVENTH.

THE MAIN DIFFERENCE IS THE ABSENCE OF FORMER INTERIOR MINISTER LUIGI GUI, WHO ASKED TO BE REPLACED SO HE COULD CLEAR HIMSELF OF ALLEGATIONS THAT HE RECEIVED PAYOFF MONEY FROM THE U-S LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT CORPORATION. PREMIER MORO HAS TEMPORARILY TAKEN THE INTERIOR POST HIMSELF.

(OPT) THE MINORITY CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT WILL BE SUPPORTED IN PARLIAMENT BY THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATS. THE SOCIALISTS, WHO WITHDREW FROM THE LAST COALITION GOVERNMENT, AND THE REPUBLICAN PARTY, BOTH HAVE PLEDGED TO ABSTAIN FROM BLOCKING THE NEW GOVERNMENT'S PROGRAMS IN PARLIAMENT. THIS WEEK'S FORMATION OF A NEW ITALIAN GOVERNMENT FORESTALLS THE NEED FOR EARLY ELECTIONS WHICH COULD HAVE SPELLED NEW GAINS FOR THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY. (END OPT)

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THE FUROR OVER PAYOFFS TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS BY THE LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT COMPANY SPREAD AROUND THE WORLD THIS WEEK. A COMMISSION WAS SET UP IN THE NETHERLANDS TO INVESTIGATE CHARGES THAT DUTCH PRINCE BERNHARD RECEIVED OVER A MILLION DOLLARS FROM LOCKHEED. THE PRINCE DENIES THE ALLEGATIONS. AT LEAST SEVEN OTHER COUNTRIES -- INCLUDING ITALY, JAPAN, MEXICO AND TURKEY ARE ALSO PREPARING INVESTIGATIONS.

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(OPT) THE WEEK IN SPAIN WAS MARKED BY BOTH ANTI-GOVERNMENT PROTESTS AND GOVERNMENT TALK OF DEMOCRATIC REFORMS. THE LARGEST PROTEST SINCE THE SPANISH CIVIL WAR, FORTY YEARS AGO, TOOK PLACE IN BARCELONA SUNDAY. ABOUT TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND CATALANS MARCHED IN BARCELONA, SEEKING AUTONOMY FOR THEIR REGION. IN BARCELONA -- AND IN OTHER SPANISH CITIES -- THERE WERE LABOR TROUBLES THIS WEEK THAT HAVE IDLED A REPORTED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND WORKERS.

MEANWHILE, ON WEDNESDAY, SPANISH PRIME MINISTER CARLOS ARIAS NAVARRO CALLED THE FIRST MEETING OF AN EIGHTEEN-MEMBER SPECIAL COMMISSION TO WORK OUT CONSTITUTIONAL REFORMS FOR THE POST-FRANCO ERA.

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NEIGHBORING PORTUGAL THIS WEEK BEGAN VOTER REGISTRATION FOR NATIONAL ELECTIONS TO BE HELD APRIL TWENTY-FIFTH. THE BALLOTING IS AIMED AT GIVING PORTUGAL ITS FIRST FREELY-ELECTED LEGISLATURE IN FIFTY YEARS.

THERE WAS ALSO A FIRST IN PORTUGUESE-SPANISH RELATIONS DURING THE WEEK -- THE FIRST MEETING OF THE TWO NATIONS' FOREIGN MINISTERS SINCE THE DEATH OF GENERALISIMO FRANCO.

RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS HAVE BEEN STRAINED SINCE SEPTEMBER WHEN LEFTIST DEMONSTRATORS IN LISBON BURNED DOWN THE SPANISH EMBASSY IN A PROTEST AGAINST THE EXECUTION OF SPANISH GUERRILLAS.

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HERE IN THE UNITED STATES, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE COMPLETED ITS YEAR-LONG INVESTIGATION OF THE U-S INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY AND HAS MADE SEVERAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MAJOR CHANGES IN THE INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES. THE COMMITTEE PROPOSED CREATION OF A POWERFUL NEW CONGRESSIONAL PANEL TO OVERSEE INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS.

(OPT) THE COMMITTEE ALSO RECOMMENDED PROHIBITIONS ON COVERT AID TO FOREIGN FORCES, ASSASSINATION PLOTS AND THE USE OF NEWS, RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES. (END OPT)

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE FINISHES ITS WORK AMID A STORM OF CONTROVERSY OVER WHETHER ITS REPORT SHOULD BE MADE PUBLIC. THE HOUSE VOTED LAST WEEK TO WITHHOLD PUBLICATION OF THE REPORT AFTER PRESIDENT FORD SAID THAT RELEASE OF SOME INFORMATION IN IT WOULD HARM NATIONAL SECURITY. (OPT) BUT INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN OTIS PIKE STILL ARGUED THAT THE FULL REPORT SHOULD BE PUBLISHED:

TAPE: CUT FOUR -- PIKE

"I REALLY THINK THAT IT'S MORE IMPORTANT THAT THE PUBLIC GENERALLY KNOW WHAT THE HECK HAS BEEN GOING ON. I HAPPEN TO BELIEVE THAT WE AS A NATION ARE STRONG ENOUGH TO FACE THE TRUTH. I THINK THAT WE AS A PEOPLE ARE MATURE ENOUGH TO LOOK AT WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING AND I HONESTLY THINK THAT WE AS A PEOPLE ARE DECENT ENOUGH TO WANT TO CHANGE WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING."

(END OPT)

NARR:

HOWEVER, THE NATURE OF THE CONTROVERSY CHANGED THURSDAY WHEN MUCH OF THE SECRET REPORT WAS PRINTED IN A NEW YORK NEWSPAPER. AT HIS NEWS CONFERENCE, SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER SAID THE TOTAL IMPACT OF THE LEAKED INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION BECOMES A MALICIOUS LIE. HE CHARGED THAT SECRET DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN TAKEN OUT OF CONTEXT AND DISTORTED. THE SECRETARY SAID THAT THE COMMITTEE REPORT, WHICH IS HIGHLY CRITICAL OF HIM, GIVES A MISLEADING PICTURE AND IS DAMAGING TO U-S FOREIGN POLICY.

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THE STATE OF U-S RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA WERE THE SUBJECT OF COMMENTS FROM BOTH PRESIDENT FORD AND SECRETARY KISSINGER THIS WEEK. THE PRESIDENT TOLD A NEWSPAPER INTERVIEWER ON MONDAY HE THINKS IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION MIGHT REACH AGREEMENT ON A NEW NUCLEAR ARMS PACT THIS YEAR. HE SAID THAT IF DIFFERENCES ARE NARROWED ENOUGH, SOVIET LEADER LEONID BREZHNEV COULD VISIT THE U-S THIS SUMMER.

THE PRESIDENT ALSO SAID THAT THE SOVIET ROLE IN ANGOLA HAS NOT BEEN HELPFUL TO DETENTE, BUT IT SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO HALT EFFORTS TO REACH A NUCLEAR ARMS ACCORD.

SECRETARY KISSINGER ADDED AT HIS NEWS CONFERENCE, LATER IN THE WEEK, THAT THE U-S IS DEVELOPING ITS REPLY TO THE LATEST SOVIET ARMS PROPOSALS.

ON ANOTHER MATTER, MISTER KISSINGER WAS ALSO ASKED ABOUT AMERICAN REACTION TO THE RECENT APPOINTMENT OF HUA KUO-FENG AS ACTING CHINESE PREMIER. THE SECRETARY SAID HE WAS

SURPRISED BY THE CHANGE IN LEADERSHIP BUT HE EXPECTS U-S/ CHINESE RELATIONS TO CONTINUE AS BEFORE:

TAPE: CUT FIVE -- KISSINGER

"WE BELIEVE THAT THE BASIC FOREIGN POLICY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, AS WELL AS OURS, DEPENDS ON THE BASIC CONCEPTION OF THE NATIONAL INTERESTS OF BOTH COUNTRIES. THOSE INTERESTS WILL DETERMINE THE POLICIES, AND PERSONALITIES -- IN THIS SENSE -- PLAY A SECONDARY ROLE."

NARR:

MEANWHILE, ONLY DAYS AFTER THE SURPRISE APPOINTMENT OF MISTER HUA AS ACTING PREMIER, A WALL POSTER CAMPAIGN IS REPORTEDLY UNDERWAY IN CHINA AGAINST TENG HSIO PING, THE MAN WHO HAD TAKEN OVER THE DUTIES OF THE LATE PREMIER CHOU EN LAI.

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(CPT) MANY PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD FOCUSED THEIR ATTENTION THIS WEEK ON THE SCENIC LITTLE TOWN OF INNSBRUCK, AUSTRIA -- SITE OF THE TWELFTH OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES. THE GAMES WHICH BEGAN LAST WEEK ARE NOW RAPIDLY DRAWING TO A CLOSE, WITH THE SOVIET UNION LEADING IN TOTAL MEDALS, FOLLOWED BY EAST GERMANY AND THE UNITED STATES.

THE SPECTATORS AT INNSBRUCK WERE TREATED TO A NEW OLYMPIC EVENT THIS YEAR -- ICE DANCING, AN EVENT OF BOTH BEAUTY AND PRECISION, PERFORMED BY COUPLES. THE FIRST GOLD MEDAL EVER AWARDED IN ICE-DANCING WENT TO THE MOSCOW HUSBAND AND WIFE PAIR OF LUDMILA PAKHOMOVA AND ALEKSANDER GORSHKOV. ANOTHER SOVIET COUPLE WON THE SILVER MEDAL AND TWO AMERICANS TOOK THE BRONZE.

ANNCR:

THOSE ARE SOME OF THE STORIES MAKING HEADLINES THIS WEEK. YOUR NARRATOR WAS _____ JOIN US AGAIN NEXT

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